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Dear Josh:

I am forwarding the manuscript of the paper given at the meeting. It was an enjoyable meeting although I was quite disappointed in Pontecorvos' talk and in Pontecorvos as a man. Perhaps he was not feeling well or maybe his adventures into the field of human genetics are too speculative and too much out of his own field. I may be mistaken and only the future will tell. The idea of the meeting is excellent. Obviously it is difficult to talk to such a heterogeneous audience and the other paper on human genetics given on Thursday would be better understood by a small group of listeners.

I am fully convinced that teaching of genetics should be introduced into the medical schools because this can be accomplished much quicker than changing the premed requirements and compelling colleges to change their curriculum for science studies. I shall certainly try to impress the University of Pennsylvania people with the importance of introducing a course of medical genetics and I would be very interested to "house" such a geneticist at the Wistar Institute with the understanding that he will be available for teaching duties at the University.

Once more I take this opportunity to thank you, Jim Crow and Esther for your kindness and hospitality.

With best personal regards,

Sincerely yours,



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P.S.

I am investigating quite thoroughly the plasma cell tumors of mice. After all the facts are assembled, I shall send them to you for your perusal.

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